

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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May 4, 2004

FROM: GARY PENROD, Sheriff
Sheriff's Department

SUBJECT: GRANT AWARD FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DEPARTMENT OF BOATING AND
WATERWAYS

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Accept grant award, in the amount of \$190,000, from the State of California, Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW), for financial aid to supplement patrol operations on the Colorado River for 2004/05.
2. Approve Boating Safety and Enforcement Financial Aid Program Contract for the Sheriff's Department to perform boating and enforcement activities on the Colorado River for DBW.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Sheriff's Department operates and maintains the necessary equipment and personnel at the Colorado River to provide enforcement of boating regulations, assistance to boaters in distress, and for search and rescue operations. The Sheriff's Department coordinates with Mohave County (Arizona) Sheriff's Department to provide regular boat patrols as well as periodic task forces to enforce boating under the influence statutes.

The Department of Boating and Waterways, through its Subvention Program, provides funding for the expansion of boating operations on State waterways. For 1998/99 the County received \$225,000; for 1999/2000 the County received \$190,000; for 2000/01 the County received \$235,000; and for 2001/02, 2002/03 & 2003/04 the County received \$190,000 per year. On December 16, 2003, the Board of Supervisors approved submission of a grant application to the State of California, Department of Boating and Waterways, in the amount of \$713,596.36, for funding to fully cover the cost of patrol operations on the Colorado River for 2004/05. The County's application for 2004/05 was accepted, and grant funds in the amount of \$190,000 have been awarded.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel (Kevin L. Norris, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5441) on April 14, 2004; and has been reviewed by the County Administrative Office (Laurie Rozko, Administrative Analyst, 387-8997) on April 23, 2004.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: This grant award, in the amount of \$190,000, will partially offset the Department's total cost (\$713,596.36) for boating enforcement on the Colorado River. No matching funds are required. The necessary appropriations and revenue were included in the Sheriff's Department Proposed Budget for 2004/05. No additional cost to the County.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): First

PRESENTER: Richard Beemer, Captain, 387-3637

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